

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 16, 2016
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS.

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY MUNICIPAL CLERK DUGAN:

“IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, 2016, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT	PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT
STEPHEN CHILDERS: PRESENT	GARY LOWE: PRESENT
JAMES DAVIS: ABSENT	STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Bernadette Dugan reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

Council President Steven Oglesby discussed a recent article in the *Asbury Park Press* about an Eagle Scout candidate whose project consisted of waste bags for dog refuse.

Mr. Oglesby stated the apron in front of the former fire house truck bay doors is in need of a more permanent repair.

1. Representative from Fincredit, Inc. to discuss property tax reward program:

Carmine DeFalco of Fincredit, Inc. was present to discuss a program which was started four years ago and provides tax credits for property owners who patronize participating merchants. Mr. DeFalco stated there are seventeen towns presently participating. Mr. DeFalco added a percentage of each sale is credited to the property owners who shop

participating businesses each June. Mr. DeFalco would like Manchester and Lakehurst to combine their efforts in order to enroll more businesses willing to participate.

Councilwoman Hodges asked the percentage for each transaction. Mr. DeFalco replied the percentage is dependent on the merchant.

Mayor Robbins stated Manchester Mayor Kenneth Palmer is willing to be the first business to enroll in the program.

2. Representative from Emex to discuss reverse auctions for electricity for Borough buildings:

John Smith of Emex was present to discuss the reverse energy auction for electricity for Borough buildings. Mr. Smith stated his company is licensed by the Department of Community Affairs and has 150 government clients. Mr. Smith further stated the live auction takes place in five minutes and is BPU approved with no need for an RFP.

Mr. Gertner suggested a cooperative with Manchester Township. Mr. Smith stated it is often difficult to arrange for a cooperative.

Consensus reached to add resolution participating in the program to the consent agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 8:06 p.m.

Dona Sinton, 501 Rose Street, asked if the fall would be a better time to participate in the reverse energy auction.

Mr. Smith of Emex replied the market for electricity fluctuates.

Ms. Sinton asked why is Emex being utilized.

Mayor Robbins replied Lakewood MUA utilizes the program and has successfully saved on electrical costs.

Mr. Gertner added the company has been vetted and approved and there is prior experience with the broker.

Time closed: 8:13 p.m.

Fire Chief Ed Seaman asked about capital projects for public works and police vehicle purchases and stated the fire company is spending ten thousand dollars a year repairing apparatus.

Motion by: Patricia Hodges

Seconded by: Stephen Childers

To approve minutes of June 2, 2016 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters to be considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. #16-106: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
2. #16-107: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Italy's Best Pizzeria
3. #16-108: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Circle Landmark Associates
4. #16-109: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Carlo & Sons, LLC
5. #16-110: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Boemio's Market
6. #16-111: Resolution re: Hiring Daniel Hourigan as lifeguard
7. #16-112: Resolution re: Release of Performance Bond and acceptance of maintenance bond for water treatment plant generator project
8. #16-113: Resolution re: Chapter 159 for Click It or Ticket grant
9. #16-114: Resolution re: Adjustment to utility bill for Block 56; Lot 20
10. #16-115: Resolution re: Mayor's Award for academic excellence
11. #16-116: Resolution re: Authorizing participation in Emex reverse electric auction

ORDINANCES APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER IV OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY" (#16-07)

Motion by: Steven Oglesby

Seconded by: Gary Lowe

To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Childers stated quotes have been received for cameras, paving, and fencing for the proposed impound yard at the Public Works Department.

Councilman Lowe stated he is awaiting information from Police Chief Higgins concerning fees for the lot.

Councilman Lowe commended the efforts of the Public Works Department in planting in front of the Harold J. Fuccile Memorial Sports Complex flag area.

Mr. Lowe reported annual certifications of fire truck pumps will be conducted in August as opposed to October.

Councilwoman Busch reported an outdoor movie night has been scheduled for July 22 at Lake Horicon with Big Hero 6 being shown.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 8:34 p.m.

Michael Sinton, 501 Rose Street, stated he had an email which was sent in April and was acknowledged by Municipal Clerk Dugan.

Time closed: 8:35 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

Clerk Dugan reads resolution to go into closed session:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P. L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, **and**

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lakehurst, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed is as follows:

**PERSONNEL MATTERS
CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

